From:	Casados, Nicole
To:	Keith, Kirsten
Cc:	McIntyre, Alex D; Taylor, Charles W
Subject:	RE: URGENT: Local Government Contracting is Under Threat!
Date:	Thursday, May 04, 2017 4:38:47 PM
Attachments:	Letter to Assemblymember Gonzalez-Fletcher from Menlo Park Mayor Kirsten Keith - AB1250.pdf

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Please see attached letter mailed and emailed to Gonzalez-Fletcher today.

Thank you,

Nicole Casados
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City of Menlo Park
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From: Kirsten Keith [mailto:kkeith@menlopark.org]
Sent: Wednesday, May 03, 2017 12:08 PM
To: McIntyre, Alex D; Casados, Nicole; Taylor, Charles W
Subject: Fwd: URGENT: Local Government Contracting is Under Threat!

Hello,

Please send a letter TODAY using my electronic signature. Time is of the essence. A sample letter is attached. Please send a copy to me after it goes out. Thank you!
---------- Forwarded message ---------
From: Seth Miller <smiller@cacities.org>
Date: Wed, May 3, 2017 at 2:44 PM
Subject: Fwd: URGENT: Local Government Contracting is Under Threat!
To: Kirsten Keith <kkeith@menlopark.org>

Kristen --
League opposition to AB 1250.
See below/attached.
Seth

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE device

------ Original message------
From: Michael Egan
Date: Tue, May 2, 2017 5:14 PM
To: Michael Egan;
Cc:
Subject:URGENT: Local Government Contracting is Under Threat!

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URGENT ALERT: Action is needed to preserve cities' ability to contract for services!

May 2, 2017

TO: League Partners
FR: Bismarck Obando, Director of Public Affairs, League of CA Cities
RE: AB 1250- A Bill to Restrict Local Government Contracting

A.B. 1250, a bill by Assembly Member Jones-Sawyer, is currently making its way through the Assembly. The bill would greatly restrict cities (along with counties and other local governments) from entering into contracts for essential services. Not only would this legislation greatly hinder cities' ability to provide services to its residents, it would also adversely affect businesses that contract with local government.

* AB 1250 sets up a process for cities and counties to follow when seeking to contract for services such as accounting, waste hauling, street cleaning, wastewater treatment, legal services etc. that is so onerous for the contracting agency to satisfy that it will effectively discourage the agency from even attempting the process.

* AB 1250 puts significant burdens on local businesses who attempt to bid on service contracts. For example, the measure requires a potential contractor to provide information related to salaries and benefits of employees, executives and officers, descriptions of all federal, state and local complaints against the contractor, descriptions of all civil complaints made in the last 10 years and descriptions of all charges and complaints made against the contractor with any agency over the past 10 years. This information would then be made available via the California Public Records Act.

* AB 1250 brings about significant privacy and safety concerns by requiring the local agency to post the full names, titles and salary information of private employees on the agencies website in a fully searchable database. It is unclear how the posting of private citizens' personal information benefits the public.

* Furthermore, AB 1250 establishes onerous reporting requirements and cost barriers to prospective contractors by arbitrarily forcing a prospective contractor to pay for a full cost-benefit analysis including an environmental impact report as well as an annual performance audit. These on-going costs can range in the hundreds of thousands to the millions depending on the scope of work being contracted.

Given that your companies conduct business with cities as well as with other local government agencies, I would encourage you or your Government Affairs representative to review A.B. 1250 and consider issuing a letter of opposition. Time is of the essence! The bill is currently set for a hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee and opposition letters must be submitted by COB tomorrow, May 3rd. Please submit your letter of opposition by e-mailing it to the office of Assembly Member Lorena Gonzalez-Fletcher who is the Chair of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The opposition letter can be e-mailed to Luke Reidenbach, Consultant, Assembly Appropriations Committee at luke.reidenbach@asm.ca.gov<mailto:luke.reidenbach@asm.ca.gov>

Attached is a sample letter of opposition. If you have any questions, please let me know.

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Best regards,

Kirsten Keith,
Mayor of Menlo Park